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REPORT NO.

SUBJECT

STATUS OF THE COMMUNISTS FOLLOWING THE
8 FEBRUARY COUP

DATE DIST. 12 FEBRUARY, 1963

PRECEDENCE PRIORITY

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...PRASAL OF CONTENT IS TENTATIVE.

1. COMMUNISTS BEING ARRESTED SINCE THE 8 FEBRUARY COUP ARE NOT BEING AND WILL NOT BE EXECUTED WITHOUT FAIR TRIAL. NATIONAL GUARD ELEMENTS CONDUCTING THE ARRESTS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO INSULT THOSE COMMUNISTS THEY ARREST, AND THOSE WHO HAVE VIOLATED THIS RULE HAVE BEEN SUBJECTED TO DISCIPLINARY MEASURES. FOR EXAMPLE, ONE NATIONAL GUARDSMAN WHO STRUCK A COMMUNIST WAS RELIEVED OF HIS GREEN ARMBAND AND DISMISSED FROM DUTY. ANOTHER WHO CALLED DR. ABD-AL-JABBAR ABDULLAH, PRESIDENT OF BAGHDAD UNIVERSITY, A COMMUNIST WHEN DR. ABDULLAH WAS ARRESTED, WAS SLAPPED IN THE FACE BY ANOTHER MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL GUARD AND TOLD THAT HE "WOULD NOT BE THE JUDGE."

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2. ✓ ARRESTS ARE BEING MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH LISTS PREPARED BY THE BATH PARTY, AND WHICH CONTAIN THE NAMES OF THOSE ACTIVE DURING THE ERA OF COMMUNIST DOMINANCE IN 1959.] A SYSTEMATIC SEARCH OF MADINAT AL-QAHIRA (CAIRO CITY) AND AI THAWRA TOWNSHIP HAS BEEN ORDERED. BOTH AREAS ARE BELIEVED TO BE HEAVILY CONCENTRATED WITH COMMUNISTS. AS OF 12 FEBRUARY, MOST OF THE COMMUNISTS HAD BEEN CLEARED OUT OF KADHIMAIN, ADHAMIYAH, AND SULAIKH.

3. [REDACTED] TRIALS FOR THOSE COMMUNISTS ARRESTED PROBABLY WILL NOT BEGIN FOR AT LEAST TWO OR THREE WEEKS.)

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4. [REDACTED] SEE [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ON THE ROUNDUP OF COMMUNISTS.)

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